

EyeOpeners

TRAVEL

Fishy Flight

British customs officials arrested a woman who arrived on a flight from West Africa carrying 186 pounds of fish and meat in her luggage, the Customs and Excise department said Sunday. Nenneh Nyana Jaiteh, 48, was stopped at Gatwick airport south of London on Friday after arriving on a flight from Gambia. She was arrested and charged with breaching legislation restricting imports of meat and other animal products from countries outside the European Union. (AP)

LOST AND FOUND

A Boy and His Balloon

A note sent aloft on a balloon 20 years ago by an elementary school student in Connoquenessing, Pa., was returned to him last week by someone who lives halfway across the state. Shane Fleeger, now 30, received the laminated note he had sent out as a fourth-grader. Somehow, the note made its way about 170 miles southeast to Robert Brindle's farm in St. Thomas, Pa. (AP)



ISSEI KATO/REUTERS

DERRING-DO

Crispy Toes

It looks like the world's most extreme cure for Athlete's Foot, but these Ascetic Buddhist monks are really just celebrating the coming of spring. The monks held prayer boards and prayed for divine aid as they walked through fire during the annual Nagatoro Fire Festival at Choshozan Fudoji, about 62 miles north-west of Tokyo, on Sunday, Reuters reports. The festival is held every March. (EXPRESS)

EDUCATION

Become a Babe Magnet

It's central England, not Middle-earth, but one school is offering its pupils the chance to learn Elvish. Youngsters at Turves Green Boys' Technology College in Birmingham are being offered weekly after-hours lessons in Sindarin, a conversational form of

Elvish invented by "Lord of the Rings" creator J.R.R. Tolkien. "A couple of the boys are very into role-playing games. Knowing Sindarin is useful when giving orders to their Elvish armies," coordinator Zainab Thorp said. The lessons would also be useful for students who wanted to study more of Tolkien's work, she said. (AP)

CELEBRATIONS

Long, Tall Turban

Major Sigh, a Nihang or a Sikh warrior, sports a 1,230-foot-long turban at an annual fair during the three-day festival of colors called Holi in the northern Indian state of Punjab, on Sunday. He was just one of the many who turned out for the festival, known for its multicolored clothes, vibrant celebrations and variety of tasty edible treats, the Times of India reported. According to Reuters, Sigh was participating in Hola Mohalla, or the festival of Nihangs, celebrated by a congregation of Sikh devotees from all over the country. (EXPRESS)



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MEMBER SINCE: The cute guy at the bar asked about my friend



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In Brief

NEW YORK

Jury in Tyco Trial to Begin Hearing Closing Arguments

After five months of testimony, jurors were to begin hearing closing arguments on Monday in the trial of two former top executives at Tyco International Ltd., former CEO L. Dennis Kozlowski, and Mark H. Swartz, the conglomerate's former chief financial officer. On Friday, State Supreme Court Justice Michael Obus threw out a count of enterprise corruption, one of the most serious against the two. That charge, punishable by up to 25 years in prison, alleges the defendants created an organization specifically to commit crimes. (AP)

GRAYSON, KY.

One Dead in Flash Floods

Flash floods killed one man during the weekend and a 4-year-old girl and a woman were missing after vehicles were swept away by high water. Up to 3 inches of rain fell across the state from Friday into Saturday, the National Weather Service reported. Weyland Ingle, 42, was found dead Saturday after his all-terrain vehicle was caught in a flood in eastern Kentucky. (AP)

NEW YORK

Gay Marriage Debate Looms At St. Patrick's Parades

Mayor Michael Bloomberg, who has sent mixed signals on same-sex marriage, and New Paltz Mayor Jason West, who was criminally charged for performing them, both marched Sunday in the gay-inclusive Queens St. Patrick's Day Parade. Bloomberg, who stands behind the state law banning same-sex marriages, and West also spoke at the parade in Queens, an alternative to the older Manhattan parade, which bans gay Irish groups from marching under their own banners. (AP)



New York Mayor Michael Bloomberg, center left, and New Paltz Mayor Jason West, center right, begin the St. Patrick's Day parade in Queens on Sunday.

Kerry: Bush 'Stonewalling' 9/11 Probe

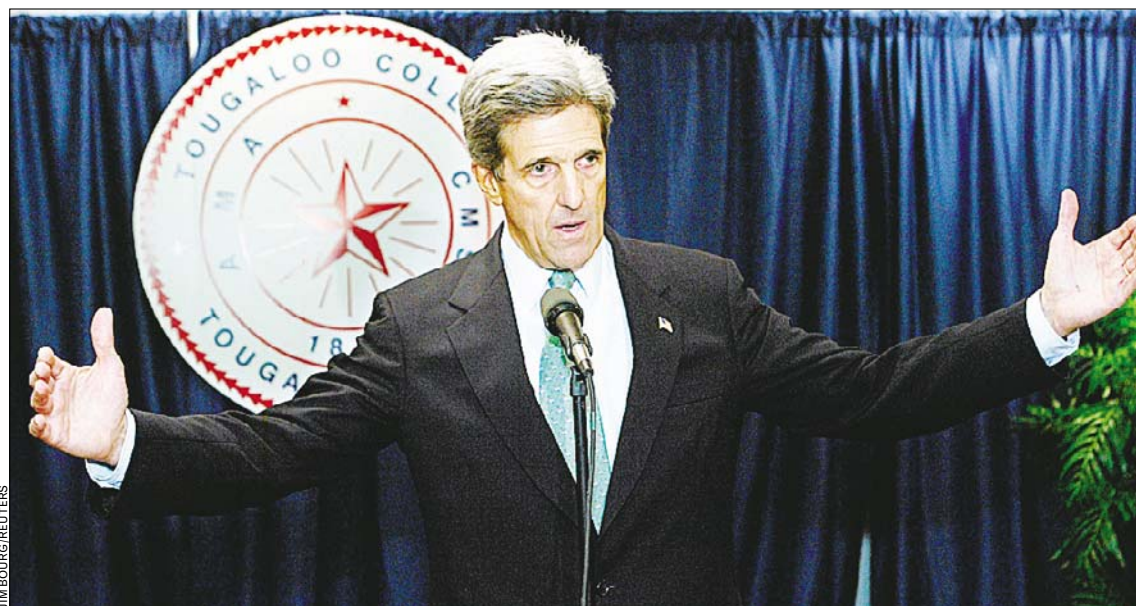
Democratic candidate alleges GOP is trying to stall investigation

JACKSON, MISS. | John Kerry on Sunday accused President Bush of "stonewalling" separate inquiries into the events leading up to the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorists attacks, as well as into the intelligence that suggested Saddam Hussein was hiding weapons of mass destruction in Iraq.

Kerry, the presumptive Democratic presidential nominee, endorsed complaints by some members of a federal commission investigating the attacks that Bush was resisting their efforts to get documents and question witnesses.

"Why is this administration stonewalling and resisting the investigation into what happened and why have we had the greatest security failure in the history of our country?" Kerry said at a hastily arranged news conference.

"The American people deserve an answer now," Kerry said.



"CREDIBILITY GAP"? Sen. John Kerry of Massachusetts gestures as he refers to a "Grand Canyon of a credibility gap" within the Bush administration over the war in Iraq and the Sept. 11 attacks during an appearance in Jackson, Miss., on Sunday.

"The immediate instinct of the Republicans and this administration was to shut it down."

"This is another inaccurate attack by John Kerry," responded Bush campaign spokesman Scott Stanzel. "President Bush and his

administration have extraordinary cooperation and unprecedented access" to the commission. He said it has provided more than 2 million pages of documents and other materials such as computer disks and tape recordings, in addition

to providing extensive briefings and submitting to more than 560 interviews. MIKE GLOVER (AP)

The 9/11 question: More on Sen. Kerry's comments and reaction from President Bush's campaign staff | washingtonpost.com/politics

Head of UCLA Cadaver Program Arrested in Theft

LOS ANGELES | The man who oversees the cadaver program at the University of California, Los Angeles, was arrested on suspicion of grand theft, but authorities would not say what he is accused of stealing.

Henry Reid, director of the willed body program, was taken into custody Saturday at his Anaheim home by the UC Police Department, following an investigation that has reportedly focused on whether employees stole and sold body parts from cadavers donated to the university's medical school.

UCLA said in a statement that the investigation is continuing and "more arrests are likely," but provided no further details.

Reid, who was put on leave in the past two weeks, was being held on \$20,000 bail. He is scheduled to be arraigned Tuesday. (AP)

Gay Bishop Takes Over N.H. Diocese

Some Episcopalian leaders continue to oppose his consecration

CONCORD, N.H. | With three mighty thumps on the church door Sunday, V. Gene Robinson knocked and was welcomed into St. Paul's sanctuary, where he officially became the Episcopal Church's first openly gay bishop.

Sunday's investiture ceremony does not carry the same weight as Robinson's consecration, which rocked the Episcopal Church in November. But it gave a capacity crowd of more than 700 the chance to welcome the new leader of the Diocese of New Hampshire with whoops, cheers and a standing ovation.

"Journeys of faith, you know, are a risky business," Robinson said during his sermon. "God is always calling us out of our comfort zones."

Robinson is the first openly



V. Gene Robinson addresses parishioners after his investiture as the Episcopal Church's bishop of New Hampshire on Sunday at St. Paul's Church in Concord, N.H.

gay man to be elected as a bishop in the national Episcopal church, as well as the worldwide Anglican Communion of which it is a part. His consecration drew protesters and triggered angry responses from many corners of the world.

Robinson has lived with his

partner, Mark Andrew, a state administrator, for 15 years and has two daughters from a previous marriage.

Most of the state's Episcopalians support Robinson, but a conservative minority continues to oppose his consecration. ANNE SAUNDERS (AP)

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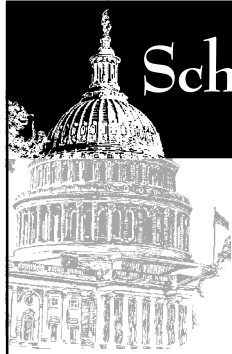
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War's Wounded Fight Back

Revolutionary new limbs offer amputees new range of motion

WASHINGTON | It was dark and drizzly in Baghdad on Nov. 25, and Army Staff Sgt. Maurice Craft was patrolling Highway 5 with two other soldiers. A bomb on the side of the road went off.

Dazed, he looked at his mangled left leg, hanging lifelessly.

Craft made it to the hospital at Baghdad International Airport. Doctors and nurses donated blood to save his life, but they couldn't save his left leg.

Craft is among dozens of amputees from the war sent to Washington's Walter Reed Army Medical Center, which ranks as a world leader in treating people with lost limbs. Some of the high-tech prostheses Walter Reed offers its patients could enable them to run, or even play sports.

Walter Reed is the first stop for most of the casualties from Iraq. Nearly 2,800 have been treated there, including 70 amputees.

Cutting-edge computer imaging is used to make the plastic socket that attaches the new limb to the body.



Army Spc. Hilario Bermanis participates in a rehab session with staff at Walter Reed Medical Center. Bermanis was injured in Baghdad during a grenade attack.

The soldiers then are fitted with top-of-the-line artificial legs and arms.

Paddy Rossbach, head of the Amputee Coalition of America, said the modern artificial limbs make the amputees' difficult transition a little easier.

"The materials used in today's limbs help you walk better, not just give you something to walk on," said Rossbach, whose Knoxville, Tenn.-based organization has counseled recovering soldiers at Walter Reed.

JENNIFER C. KERR (AP)

Rare Butterflies at Risk After California Wildfires

SAN DIEGO | The wildfires that charred vast areas of Southern California last fall may also have put the survival of two rare species of butterflies at risk, researchers say.

Some experts say it became apparent even while the fires were still smoldering that the flames that blackened more than 745,000 acres, destroyed more than 3,400 homes and killed nearly two dozen people also threatened the existence of the Hermes copper and Thorne's hairstreak butterflies.

"When I saw the magnitude of devastation, I realized in my lifetime I might see one, possibly two species go extinct," said biological consultant Michael Klein.

The Hermes, which catches sunlight brilliantly in its yellow under-

wings, has only a 20 to 25 percent chance of survival, according to an estimate by David Faulkner, a forensic entomologist who has studied both species. He gave Thorne's hairstreak, unique for its purple-brown underside with iridescent green sheen, less than a 5 percent chance of survival.

Some environmentalists blame state officials for not saving enough of the butterflies' natural habitat from development.

Federal officials disagree, saying such alarm is premature.

"Of course we're worried about these species, but until we do some surveys this spring, I'm not going to go into crisis mode," said Alison Anderson, a federal biologist in Carlsbad. (AP)

Scouts Rescued After Being Buried In Utah Avalanche

SALT LAKE CITY | A huge wall of snow collapsed and buried the entrances to a series of manmade caves where more than three dozen Boy Scouts and their leaders were sleeping during a winter survival camping trip, but everyone was rescued unharmed.

After the 39 scouts and scout leaders went to sleep Friday night, wind gusting to 64 mph piled snow into a huge cornice hanging over the slope where the scouts dug their caves.

The 500-foot cornice collapsed just before 4 a.m. Saturday, burying the entrances to the caves under 6 to 8 feet of snow.

The avalanche was heard by a group of scout leaders who were sleeping in a nearby trailer, and they used an emergency roadside telephone to call 911. (AP)

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World

Insurgents Hit 'Green Zone'

At least 7 rockets fired at coalition HQ in Iraq

BAGHDAD, IRAQ | Insurgents fired at least seven rockets Sunday night, hitting a hotel used by U.S. officials and wounding one American, the military said. It was the biggest attack on the U.S. coalition headquarters in Baghdad in weeks.

The rockets were fired around 7:30 p.m. from an SUV parked outside the Green Zone, the heavily guarded area where the U.S.-led coalition is based. The SUV burst into flames during the barrage, and U.S. troops found two unlaunched rockets in a rack on the vehicle.

The troops then blew up the vehicle, a U.S. military spokesman said.

Five rockets hit the Al-Rasheed hotel, where some civilian contractors are living. A U.S. civilian contractor was wounded, the military said. The Al-Rasheed is located across the street from the Baghdad Convention Center, where Iraq's interim constitution is scheduled to be signed.

Shortly after the blasts, a U.S. Army OH-58 Kiowa helicopter, a surveillance aircraft, and an Apache helicopter flew low over the nearby Tigris River, possibly in an attempt to seek out the heat signature of the rocket launchers.

HAMZA HENDAWI (AP)

OTHER DEVELOPMENTS

→ **Some 500 U.S. soldiers**, backed by tanks and helicopters, raided Baghdad's biggest dairy processing plant Sunday. Four people were arrested, Lt. Col. Tim Ryan told the AP.

→ **After a power struggle** with the State Department, the Pentagon has won control over most of an \$18.4 billion aid package for Iraq, U.S. officials in Baghdad said Sunday. Much of the aid will go toward 2,300 construction projects over the next four years. Of these, the State Dept. will oversee as little as 10%. (AP)

Shots Fired at Haiti Protesters Kill 5

U.S. Marines return fire in first armed action since arrival

PORT-AU-PRINCE, HAITI | Gunmen opened fired Sunday on thousands of unarmed demonstrators calling for the prosecution of Jean-Bertrand Aristide, killing four protesters and a foreign journalist in the worst attack since the Haitian president's fall.

U.S. Marines returned fire — the first known armed action by U.S. forces sent to stabilize the country — but angry survivors accused the Marines and their French colleagues of not doing enough to prevent the attack.

Several witnesses said they saw Aristide militants open fire from across the vast Champs de Mars plaza as thousands gathered in front



Aristide opponents protest in front of the presidential palace on Sunday. Witnesses said pro-Aristide militants opened fire on the crowds, killing at least five.

of the presidential National Palace. U.S. Marine Maj. Richard Crusan said it was unclear who the gunmen were. He said the three Marines returned fire from the palace in

the direction of the gunshots.

Ricardo Ortega, a correspondent for the Spanish television station Antena 3, was shot in the stomach and died at the hospital. (AP)

Right-Winger in Austria Leads His Party to Big Win

VIENNA, AUSTRIA | Joerg Haider powered his political party to a stunning win in his home province Sunday, confounding pundits and strengthening the odds for a national comeback for the controversial rightist known for

anti-Jewish slurs and a friendship with Saddam Hussein.

With Haider's Freedom Party polling more than 10 points behind the Socialists weeks before the elections in Carinthia province, most had predicted another Freedom Party loss after a string of defeats elsewhere over the past two years.

While the voting was restricted to Carinthia, its significance extended beyond Austria's southernmost province. Beyond assur-

ing his reappointment as governor, the win increased chances that Haider would be able to revitalize his party.

Haider stepped down as party leader in 2000 to ease the pressure on Austria, but the European Union still slapped temporary sanctions on the country to protest his party's government role. (AP)



Haider

INDIA | RAINING PURPLE



SPRING FEVER: People painted with bright colors dance during the festival of Holi in Gauhati, the capital of the north-eastern Indian state of Assam, on Sunday. The exuberant festival is held to celebrate the fertility of the land.

ANUPAM NATHIAP

Landslide Win for Greek Conservatives

ATHENS, GREECE | Greek conservatives swept to a landslide victory Sunday in parliamentary elections, ending 10 years of Socialist government and assigning a new

caretaker to the preparations for this summer's Olympics.

Socialist leader George Papandreou conceded defeat after various exit polls showed New Democracy

with a strong lead. The conservatives, led by 47-year-old Costas Caramanlis, broke into celebration.

Many voters perceived the Socialist Party as corrupt and arrogant after leading the country for all but three years since 1981. (AP)

Bloodshed in Gaza As Pullout Looms

14 die in raid; militants jockey to claim victory for Israeli withdrawal

BUREIJ REFUGEE CAMP, GAZA STRIP | Israeli troops carried out their deadliest raid in Gaza in 17 months on Sunday, part of a surge of bloodshed ahead of a possible Israeli withdrawal from the coastal strip.

Fourteen Palestinians were killed and 81 wounded in more than six hours of fighting on the edge of the Bureij refugee camp. Among the dead were three boys, ages 8, 12 and 15.

The battle pitted Palestinians armed with assault rifles, anti-tank missiles and grenade launchers against Israeli troops firing from helicopters and tanks.

The Israeli military said the purpose of the raid was to put Palestinian militants on the

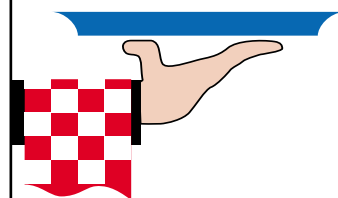
defensive and prevent them from carrying out attacks on Israelis. The Palestinian Authority denounced the raid as "state terrorism."

Sunday's fighting was part of a recent rise in violence that has been attributed to Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon's proposal to withdraw from most, if not all, of Gaza and parts of the West Bank if there is no progress toward peace.

Each side seems to be positioning itself to claim a withdrawal as a victory — Israel by pounding the militants hard before a pullout, and the armed groups by stepping up attacks to create the impression they are chasing the Israelis out.

There are concerns that an Israeli withdrawal from Gaza could push the crowded, impoverished territory into chaos. Already, rival groups are vying for power, as the Palestinian Authority has lost much of its influence. (AP)

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World

Saudi Gas Fields Open to Explorers

No U.S. firms given contracts in first bids open to foreign firms

RIYADH, SAUDI ARABIA | In a milestone agreement, Saudi Arabian officials signed contracts with foreign oil executives Sunday to explore for natural gas in the country's vast southern desert known as the Rub al-Khali, or Empty Quarter.

Saudi Arabia boasts the world's fourth-largest deposits of gas, but it had never before invited foreigners to make competitive bids for rights to explore for this resource. The four winning companies included two from Russia and China.

U.S. firms were conspicuous for their absence among the winners. Although 41 companies expressed interest in the areas offered up for auction in July, only six placed bids, and of these only one — ChevronTexaco Corp. — was American. It placed second in the bidding for all three contracts.

Yahya Shinawi, of the Oil Ministry, said he was surprised to see a U.S. "super-major" like ChevronTexaco participate even to this extent. "You don't usually see super-majors in frontier areas. They usually come in later," after other, less cautious companies have already found gas or oil, he told reporters. **BRUCE STANLEY (AP)**

THE PIONEERS

Saudi Aramco, the state-run oil concern, took a 20 percent share in each of the contracts. The partners:

- Lukoil Holdings of Russia
- China Petroleum & Chemical Corp., or Sinopec
- A consortium with Italy's Eni SpA and Spain's Repsol YPF SA.

→ To find gas, Saudi Aramco's foreign partners must each explore an area larger than Kuwait. Neither Lukoil nor Sinopec has had much experience exploring for gas outside their respective homelands, much less under such inhospitable desert conditions. **(AP)**

Royal Opera House Dumps Top Singer For Slimmer Star

LONDON | The Royal Opera House in London canceled a performance by American star soprano Deborah Voigt because of her weight, a spokesman for the prestigious theater said Sunday.

Voigt had been scheduled to play the lead in a summer production of Richard Strauss's "Ariadne

on Naxos," but casting director Peter Katona decided that a slimmer singer would be better for the part, spokesman Christopher Millard said.

"I have big hips, and Covent Garden has a problem with them," she told The Sunday Telegraph.

Voigt, one of the world's most sought-after sopranos, regularly appears at New York City's Metropolitan Opera House. She is to perform there with Placido Domingo in a production of Richard Wagner's "Die Walkure" this spring. **(AP)**

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Bird Flu Found In Md.; Slaughter, Quarantine Follow

POCOMOKE CITY, MD. | The discovery this weekend of avian influenza in Maryland compelled officials to order the slaughter of 328,000 birds on a commercial chicken farm — nearly four times the number killed when two Delaware farms were infected last month.

The cases in Delaware and on Maryland's Eastern Shore are from the same H7 strain, which is not

harmful to humans, authorities said Sunday.

Maryland officials ordered a quarantine that covers eight farms within a two-mile radius of the infected farm, which grows chickens on a contract basis for Mountaire Farms of Selbyville, Del. The state also ordered the slaughter of birds in houses a mile away, which are under the same ownership.

The unidentified farm, where the infection was confirmed Saturday, is 45 miles from the nearest infected farm in Delaware. Officials could not yet rule out a connection between the cases. GRETCHEN PARKER (AP)

The Lotteries

March 7

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D.C. to Outline Filter Distribution

WASHINGTON | District officials plan to announce Monday future distribution sites for thousands of water filters.

The city distributed about 300 filters Saturday to residents who have lead service lines and are pregnant, nursing or have children under the age of six. Another 300 filters were given out Thursday.

The Environmental Protection Agency has ordered the D.C. Water and Sewer Authority to provide bottled water or filters for about 23,000 city homes believed to have lead service lines. (AP)

Harbor Horrors Recounted

Sailors describe scene of water taxi accident; 3 people still missing

BALTIMORE | The Navy reservists whose quick work saved 21 people aboard a water taxi that capsized described the horrific scene: survivors clinging to the overturned vessel in frigid, choppy water pounded by rain, telling them more were trapped below.

One woman was killed in Saturday's accident in Baltimore Harbor and three people, including a child, were missing, but the reservists said Sunday they were relieved the loss of life wasn't greater.

The sailors rushed to the scene after seeing the boat in trouble. After passengers clinging to the water taxi told them others were trapped underneath, the rescuers used a ramp on their troop landing ship to lift the water taxi partly out of the water, Petty Officer Jeffrey King said.

"Brother, it was like the end of the 'Titanic' movie once that thing lifted up," King said. "I mean those bodies just floated up."

Lt. Cmdr. Art Eisenstein said he jumped into the water and grabbed a little girl who was unconscious and floating face-down.



Passengers of a capsized water taxi cling to the hull of the boat Saturday in Baltimore's Inner Harbor, as a Navy ship approaches to assist in their rescue.

"Just to hear that she's still with us is just amazing," he said.

Two people, including an 8-year-old girl, were critically injured when the 36-foot pontoon boat overturned with 23 passengers and two crew members.

The ferry had just set off across the harbor from historic Fort McHenry on the way to the city's Fells Point when it was caught by wind gusting to 50 mph.

Twenty-two people were removed from the water but one woman died at a hospital. On Sunday, recovery

crews used boats, helicopters, sonar and dogs trained to find submerged bodies to search for the three missing people: a man, a woman and a child.

Investigators said they were looking at the weather and the condition and operation of the vessel as possible factors in the accident.

National Transportation Safety Board Chairman Ellen Engleman-Conners said officials were interviewing survivors and witnesses, and were awaiting voluntary toxicology tests on the captain and first mate. BRIAN WITTE (AP)

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Still no breaks as arson investigation reaches anniversary

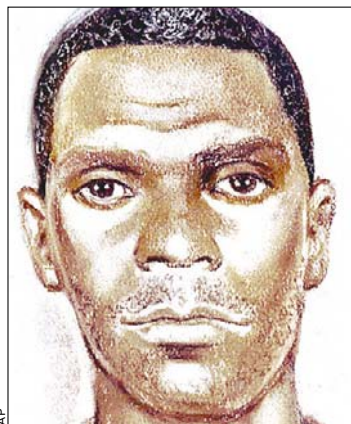
WASHINGTON | A sizeable reward and hundreds of tips haven't led to an arrest of the arsonist responsible for up to 35 fires in the D.C. area that have killed one person and injured 10 in the past year.

The fires, which began a year ago today, have shaken residents in parts of a region that in the past 2 ½ years has seen a terrorist attack, anthrax letters and sniper shootings.

Since a telephone tip line was established last July, more than 500 calls and e-mails offering information have been received. A sketch of a possible suspect began circulating last month, prompting 150 new tips but no arrests.

Profilers say the suspect is likely to be angry or troubled. Studies of serial arsonists have found them to be skilled liars capable of being charming, manipulative and cunning. They also are quick to blame others for problems in their personal or professional lives.

"Somebody out there knows



A sketch of the suspected arsonist.

this person, and they know that they are out those times of night or early morning when the fires are occurring," said Victor Stagnaro, lead arson investigator for the Prince George's County, Md., Fire and Emergency Medical Services Department.

Since March 8, 2003, there have been 18 fires in Washington and 17 in areas that border the city, mainly Prince George's County. An 86-year-old woman was killed in one of the blazes.

The last two fires considered similar enough in nature to be

added to the list were Feb. 6 in Fairfax, Va., and Feb. 14 in Silver Spring, Md.

Solving an arson is not easy. According to FBI statistics, only 16 percent of arson investigations end in arrests. To spur tips, a \$35,000 reward has been established for information leading to an arrest.

Investigators also have consulted with Seattle authorities, where scores of arsons in four counties a decade ago were linked to a single suspect. Paul Kenneth Keller, then 27, pleaded guilty to setting 32 fires and acknowledged setting 44 others. He was sentenced to 75 years in prison.

Authorities here are advising people to remain alert, keep their porch lights on at night and consider installing motion-activated lighting on their property.

"We certainly need people to be vigilant if we're going to catch this guy," D.C. Police Chief Charles Ramsey said. DERRILL HOLLY (AP)



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Money

Stewart's Weak Defense

Jurors surprised that lawyers didn't mount a more aggressive case

NEW YORK | Jurors who convicted Martha Stewart of lying about a stock sale said they believed the key prosecution witnesses against the homemaking guru and were surprised that her team didn't put up a more aggressive defense.

After the prosecution took four weeks to make its case, the defense presented its side in less than an hour.

"We thought there was going to be more from the defense," juror Jonathan Laskin, 48, a paralegal and translator, told Dateline NBC in an interview with six jurors scheduled to air Sunday. "We ... were hoping they would put up more of a fight or something. Or give us more to chew on. But it wasn't there."

A jury of eight women and four men deliberated 12 hours over three days before returning guilty verdicts Friday on all four counts against Stewart — conspiracy, obstruction and two counts of making false statements.

All the charges relate to an accu-

Fallout After the Guilty Verdict

Martha Stewart Living Omnimedia stock fell more than 22 percent after her guilty verdict was announced. Marketing experts say the effect on her company could be devastating.

What's next for Martha Stewart



Company — Government may remove her from board of company she owns 61.2 percent of. CBS has pulled "Martha Stewart Living" from their New York television affiliate and other stations may follow suit. **Appeal** — Lawyers plan to explain to the Court of

Appeals what they believe went wrong in her case. **Sentencing** — Charges carry maximum prison terms of 20 years, but federal guidelines could reduce it to a year. Sentencing is set for June 17. **Fines** — Could face up to \$1 million in penalties for criminal convictions, in addition to the fines the Securities and Exchange Commission may seek.

sation that Stewart lied to cover up the reason she sold 3,928 shares of ImClone Systems stock on Dec. 27, 2001 — avoiding a hefty loss when the company announced bad news the next day.

Jurors said the most compelling testimony came from Stewart's assistant. In one of the trial's most dramatic moments, Ann Armstrong

burst into tears before describing how Stewart sat at Armstrong's computer and altered a potentially incriminating message from Bacanovic, but then directed the aide to restore the original wording.

"She ultimately gave the testimony that was going to bring Martha down," said juror Chappell Hartridge. (AP)

Pa. Students May Soon See Ads in School Buses

Firm's novel approach raises objections in suburban Pittsburgh

PITTSBURGH | On the outside, school buses will be just as yellow as they've always been. But if Brian Ungar has his way, the insides will be filled with colorful advertisements promoting colleges, touting toothpaste and warning against using drugs.

Ungar, the founder of InSight Media of White Oak, Pa., has approached 42 area school districts about putting 11-by-25 inch vinyl advertisements above the windows inside school buses. School officials would have discretion over the ads, and get as much as 40 percent of the gross revenue.

Dr. Joseph Findley, acting super-

intendent of the Montour School District in suburban Pittsburgh, said no decision has been made. The district would get about \$140,000 from such a deal, he said.

A similar model is used by School Bus Media Inc., a Miami-based company. It currently has about 400 public service announcements in 120 school buses in Florida, said David Hill, the vice president.

In western Pennsylvania, the Montour Taxpayers Organization, doesn't want children riding to school with ads.

"We as parents feel our children are subjected to an enormous amount of advertising on a daily basis and one place to keep it out of is schools and school buses," said Michelle Bitner, the group's president. JENNIFER C. YATES (AP)

Wal-Mart Puts 'Supercenters' On Ballots in Calif.

LOS ANGELES | Wal-Mart Stores Inc. wants to open 40 Supercenters in California over the next few years, and is taking its plans directly to voters in California — the last major untapped market for the behemoth stores.

The lobbying effort paid off in Contra Costa County, a San Francisco suburb that voted last week to allow the huge, one-stop-shopping centers. But the Bentonville-Ark.-based company failed to woo voters in San Diego County.

Wal-Mart contends that consumers benefit by saving on groceries while shopping for other discount merchandise. Opponents, however, see a low-wage, low-benefit job mill that will displace better-paying jobs as independent retailers are driven out of business. ALEX VEIGA (AP)

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NEW RIVALS: Boston Red Sox shortstop Nomar Garciaparra, left, and New York Yankees' Alex Rodriguez meet before playing in an exhibition game Sunday in Fort Myers, Fla. It was the first game between the rival teams since the Yankees beat the Red Sox in a bidding war for A-Rod.

Union May Scuttle Owens Trade Deal

Players group could try to pluck wide receiver from Ravens' clutches

FOOTBALL | The NFL Players Association plans to file paperwork this week in an attempt to rescind Terrell Owens's trade from the San Francisco 49ers to the Baltimore Ravens, union chief Gene Upshaw said Sunday.

Upshaw said he has informed Harold Henderson, the league's executive vice president for labor relations, of his intention to seek to undo the Pro Bowl wide receiver's trade.

Upshaw said that if the matter can't be resolved, the union will

ask Stephen Burbank, who is in charge of settling disputes regarding the NFL's collective bargaining agreement, to have Owens's contract voided so he can be declared a free agent.

Upshaw declined to comment further.

NFL spokesman Greg Aiello confirmed Sunday that Henderson has spoken to Upshaw about the case but there has been no resolution.

Owens told ESPN on Friday that he wants to play for the Philadelphia Eagles.

The Ravens say they expect Owens to wear their uniform this season. Owens was scheduled to report Monday for a physical. (AP)

TODAY'S TV LINEUP

HOCKEY (7 p.m. on NewsChannel 8) The Capitals hope to make it two in a row as they face Ottawa at the MCI Center.

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL (7 p.m. on ESPN) George Mason University faces Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond, Va., for the Colonial Athletic Association championship.

WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL (7:30

p.m. on Fox Sports Net) Duke and the University of North Carolina battle it out for the Atlantic Coast Conference championship in Greensboro, N.C.

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL (2 p.m. on ESPN) Pre-season action continues with the Anaheim Angels taking on the Seattle Mariners in the warm weather of Peoria, Ariz.

In Brief

NASCAR

Kenseth Rockets Through 2nd Straight Nextel Race

Defending champion Matt Kenseth rolled to his second straight NASCAR Nextel Cup win Sunday at Las Vegas Motor Speedway, surpassing his victory total of 2003 in only the third race of the season. Kenseth, criticized last season for winning the series title with boring consistency and only one race victory, was dominating for the second straight year in the UAW-DaimlerChrysler 400. (AP)

CYCLING

Armstrong Finishes 23rd in Tuneup for Tour De France

Lance Armstrong finished Spain's five-day Tour of Murcia in 23rd place Sunday, a solid but cautious performance in his preparations for a bid at a record sixth straight title in the Tour de France. The Texan crossed the line in the second pack, seven seconds behind the leaders in a race won by Spain's Alejandro Valverde. (AP)



Armstrong

TRACK

Devers Takes 2nd in Hurdles After Winning Sprint Medal

Gail Devers failed in her bid for a sprint-hurdle double at the indoor world championships, which ended with Russia winning twice as many gold medals as the United States. Devers captured the 60-meter sprint Friday but was runner-up Sunday in the 60-meter hurdles. The American had been unbeaten all winter in the hurdles. She dominated the heats and the semifinal earlier in the day but could not win the gold, finishing 0.03 seconds behind Canada's Perdita Felicien. (AP)



Gail Devers jumps a hurdle at the World Indoor Athletic Championships in Budapest, Hungary, on Sunday.

Sports

Federer Hangs On to Title in Dubai

TENNIS | Top-ranked Roger Federer rallied past Spain's Feliciano Lopez 4-6, 6-1, 6-2 Sunday to become the first man to successfully defend his Dubai Open title.

Federer, the Australian Open champion, extended his record this year to 16-1 with his second title of 2004.

Lopez, at No. 32 the highest-ranked left-hander, was playing in his first ATP final. He won the opening set, the first set

Federer dropped all week, before the Swiss star began playing with more authority.

The turning point came in the second set when Lopez, 2-1 down on serve, put an easy forehand volley into the net at deuce. Federer followed with a second break to take the set in 24 minutes.

Goran Ivanisevic and Nicolas Kiefer previously reached consecutive finals in Dubai, but neither could win two straight titles. (AP)

NBA

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ATLANTIC	W	L	PCT.	GB	LIO CONF.
New Jersey	38	23	.623	—	7-3 27-10
New York	28	35	.444	11	3-7 21-16
Boston	27	36	.429	12	4-6 18-24
Miami	27	36	.429	12	6-4 17-20
Philadelphia	25	38	.397	14	3-7 18-22
Washington	20	40	.333	17.5	4-6 13-27
Orlando	18	46	.281	21.5	5-5 14-29

CENTRAL	W	L	PCT.	GB	LIO CONF.
Indiana	46	16	.742	—	8-2 29-10
Detroit	40	25	.615	7.5	7-3 26-15
New Orleans	33	29	.532	13	5-5 24-19
Milwaukee	33	29	.532	13	5-5 26-15
Cleveland	27	36	.429	19.5	7-3 21-20
Toronto	26	36	.419	20	1-9 16-23
Atlanta	20	42	.323	26	3-7 12-26
Chicago	18	44	.290	28	4-6 15-21

WESTERN CONFERENCE

MIDWEST	W	L	PCT.	GB	LIO CONF.
Minnesota	44	18	.710	—	7-3 21-13
San Antonio	42	21	.667	2.5	7-3 23-13
Dallas	39	22	.639	4.5	7-3 24-15
Memphis	38	24	.613	6	8-2 23-16
Houston	35	26	.574	8.5	6-4 14-20
Denver	33	30	.524	11.5	3-7 21-18
Utah	31	32	.492	13.5	5-5 18-20

PACIFIC	W	L	PCT.	GB	LIO CONF.
Sacramento	45	16	.738	—	7-3 25-13
L.A. Lakers	40	21	.656	5	8-2 21-16
Portland	30	32	.484	15.5	6-4 15-24
Seattle	27	35	.435	18.5	2-8 17-22
Golden State	25	35	.417	19.5	3-7 16-22
L.A. Clippers	25	36	.410	20	3-7 11-23
Phoenix	21	42	.333	25	3-7 12-26

Standings through March 6.

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NHL

EASTERN CONFERENCE

SOUTHEAST	W	L	T	OL	PTS.	GF	GA
Tampa Bay	39	17	7	5	90	204	156
Florida	24	28	14	3	65	152	177
Atlanta	27	32	7	3	64	186	212
Carolina	21	29	13	4	59	127	166
Washington	21	37	8	2	52	158	203

ATLANTIC	W	L	T	OL	PTS.	GF	GA
Philadelphia	35	17	12	6	88	201	161
New Jersey	35	20	11	2	83	169	137
N.Y. Islanders	30	25	10	3	73	190	177
N.Y. Rangers	24	32	7	5	60	176	200
Pittsburgh	14	44	6	4	38	143	263

NORTHEAST	W	L	T	OL	PTS.	GF	GA
Toronto	37	20	9	3	86	198	175
Ottawa	36	18	9	5	86	226	151
Boston	32	16	14	7	85	175	157
Montreal	36	26	6	2	80	179	160
Buffalo	30	30	6	1	67	175	182

WESTERN CONFERENCE

CENTRAL	W	L	T	OL	PTS.	GF	GA
Detroit	39	17	9	2	89	213	152
Nashville	33	25	8	2	76	180	181
St. Louis	30	26	9	2	71	153	168
Columbus	20	36	8	4	52	146	196
Chicago	18	35	9	5	50	155	202

NORTHWEST	W	L	T	OL	PTS.	GF	GA
Colorado	34	16	12	5	85	198	156
Vancouver	36	20	8	4	84	197	158
Calgary	33	26	5	3	74	160	151
Edmonton	27	27	11	2	67	178	173
Minnesota	21	26	18	2	62	144	152

PACIFIC	W	L	T	OL	PTS.	GF	GA
San Jose	33	17	11	6	83	173	145
Dallas	34	22	11	0	79	156	145
Los Angeles	25	19	16	7	73	175	175
Anaheim	25	27	9	8	67	155	175
Phoenix	20	27	15	5	60	168	204

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Sports

On a Roll, Knicks Flatten Wizards

New York front-court stymies Washington to deliver 99-86 victory

WASHINGTON | Stephon Marbury had 24 points and 13 assists Sunday, and the New York Knicks' front-court controlled the boards in a 99-86 victory over the Washington Wizards.

Marbury had six points and an assist in a 12-0 run that spanned the third and fourth quarters and put the Knicks firmly in control. Allan Houston added 23 points as the Knicks won their third straight following a six-game losing streak.

Gilbert Arenas scored 28 points, and Juan Dixon had 25 as the Wizards' backcourt held its own, but Washington was outrebounded 35-23 through three quarters — including 11-4 on the offensive boards — and 40-34 for the game thanks to rebounds in garbage time.

Knicks rookie reserve Mike Sweetney grabbed a career-high 10 rebounds, four more than his previous high. The Wizards also had no answer for big men Nazr Mohammed (15 points, seven rebounds) and Tim Thomas (18 points).

Marbury is averaging 31.6 points and 7.6 assists during the three-game winning streak.

Washington's only lead was 2-0, but the Knicks couldn't start to feel comfortable until they scored in six straight possessions in the 12-0 run gave them a 79-62 lead early in the fourth quarter. The Wizards cut the lead to nine with less than five minutes to play, but Marbury's drive through the paint restored the double-digit lead for the rest of the game.

Arenas scored 12 points in the first quarter for the Wizards, and Dixon scored 11 in the second. But Washington was outrebounded 24-15 in the half, including 7-2 on the offensive boards. JOSEPH WHITE (AP)



The New York Knicks' Stephon Marbury shoots over the Wizards' Brendan Haywood in the first half on Sunday in Washington. Marbury scored 24 points during the game. MANUEL BALCEGA/ETA/AP

O'Meara Snags First Tournament Win in 6 Years

GOLF | Mark O'Meara won his first official tournament in almost six years Sunday, shooting a 3-under-par 69 to win the Dubai Desert Classic by one stroke over Paul McGinley.

The previous victory for the 47-year-old O'Meara came at the 1998 British Open, which came just months after he won the Masters.

McGinley, his playing partner, was even with O'Meara after three rounds. He carded a 70 to finish at 16-under 272.



O'Meara

Tiger Woods, six strokes back when the round began, made a slight charge but finished five behind after a 68 on a hot, breezy day at the Emirates Golf Club.

O'Meara — ranked No. 201 in the world to Woods' No. 1 — put a string of three birdies together on the front nine but dropped a shot on No. 7. On the back nine his only birdie came at 11. STEPHEN WADE (AP)

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SECRET FORCES: In "Spartan," a special-ops officer (Val Kilmer, left, with Derek Luke) searches for the president's daughter.

Man of Few Words

David Mamet dabbles in politics and intrigue

PERSONALITY | David Mamet is a Pulitzer Prize-winning playwright, director, essayist, novelist and poet. He's also a two-time Oscar nominee whose "Wag the Dog" script foreshadowed the Monica Lewinsky scandal.

In "Spartan," his ninth film as a writer-director, opening this Friday,

Mamet revisits the subject of politics and the pitfalls of corruption. Val Kilmer stars as an officer in a secret special-operations force recruited to find the president's missing daughter. But the mission becomes complicated by the political ambitions of operatives who may know more about the case than they're telling.

Is it coincidental that this film is coming out in an election year?

The whole damn thing is coincidental. I wrote "Wag the Dog" out of pure air, then the Monica Lewinsky scandal happened.

Did the Bush twins or Chelsea Clinton inspire you?

No. This goes way back to Alice Roosevelt Longworth and Margaret

Truman. Every administration that I know of in the 20th century has had a problem or scandal with the offspring of people in power. That's just human nature.

You enlisted former Delta Force operative Eric Haney to serve as the film's technical adviser. How did he help you?

He took some of the cast — including Val, Derek [Luke] and [William H.] Macy — out in the city and showed them how to tail people, and to a range where they learned to fire automatic weapons. He was helpful with technical and tonal aspects of the movie.

What's the secret of good movie-making?

The trick is to take a story that might be complex and make it simple enough that people will want to catch up with it. What makes them interested is to make them catch up and ask, "What's happening here? Who is this guy? Why are all these government people running around? Why was she taken? And how is he going to get her back? And what's he going to do next?"

What's your next movie project?

I've got this movie I'm working on that I'm looking for some sucker to make. It's about the dog that saved France. It's about Joan of Arc's dog. ANGELA DAWSON (ENTERTAINMENT NEWS WIRE)



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Commitment Ken McCluskey gave up butchery for the life of a rock star.

Shakespeare Redux: 'Romeo & Julius'

"Romeo & Julius [Caesar]," is a "new" play by the author of "Romeo and Juliet" and "Julius Caesar" (and by Jeff Goode), as the Washington Shakespeare Company's Arlington Dramatist Project claims. The four plays in ADP's "New Play Reading Series" kicks off tonight with a pay-what-you-can reading.

Clark Street Playhouse, 601 S. Clark St., Arlington; 7:30 p.m., 703-418-4808.

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Visions D.C., 1927 Florida Ave. NW; 7 p.m., free; hrw.org. (Dupont Circle)

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Heavy Metal Alloy

Dave Grohl's Probot: rock inside joke or metal masterpiece?

MUSIC | As mainstream metal grew ever goofier and more pompous in the '80s, there existed a parallel underground scene where the music stayed dark, heavy and enthralling. It's that sound that Dave Grohl sought to capture with "Probot," a riveting all-star album featuring some of Grohl's favorite underground metal vocalists growling their way through tunes he wrote.

Grohl is an excellent musician, and he shows it by playing most of the instruments himself on songs that are unrelentingly heavy.

The music is primal and pow-

erful, but the singers are of equal interest here. There's a different vocalist on each of the 11 songs, starting with Cronos, singer from the band Venom, who roars to the devastating thrash metal of "Centuries of Sin."

Lemmy Kilmeister from Motorhead lends his reedy, menacing voice to the hard-rocking "Shake Your Blood." Cathedral front man Lee Dorrian, formerly of Napalm Death, snarls along with a grinding Black Sabbath-style guitar part on the dirge "Ice Cold Man."

Although the tunes reflect each singer's unique style, Grohl's backing tracks give "Probot" a cohesive feel that his guests only enhance.

The album is also a reminder of how much cooler metal used to be,



SUDDENLY, GROHL'S A HUNK: With Motorhead's Lemmy and Wino of St. Vitus.

before it was infected by the morose angst of grunge and the commercial viability of rap.

Perhaps it's not too great a stretch to see "Probot" as an act of penance from Grohl, who is redeeming old school metal from

the nu-metal juggernaut he inadvertently helped to launch as part of Nirvana's legacy. Even if that is a stretch, "Probot" is by far the best metal album anyone has released in years. ERIC R. DANTON

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Entertainment

Jack, Jill & Dr. Freud

One historian claims nursery rhymes aren't that innocent

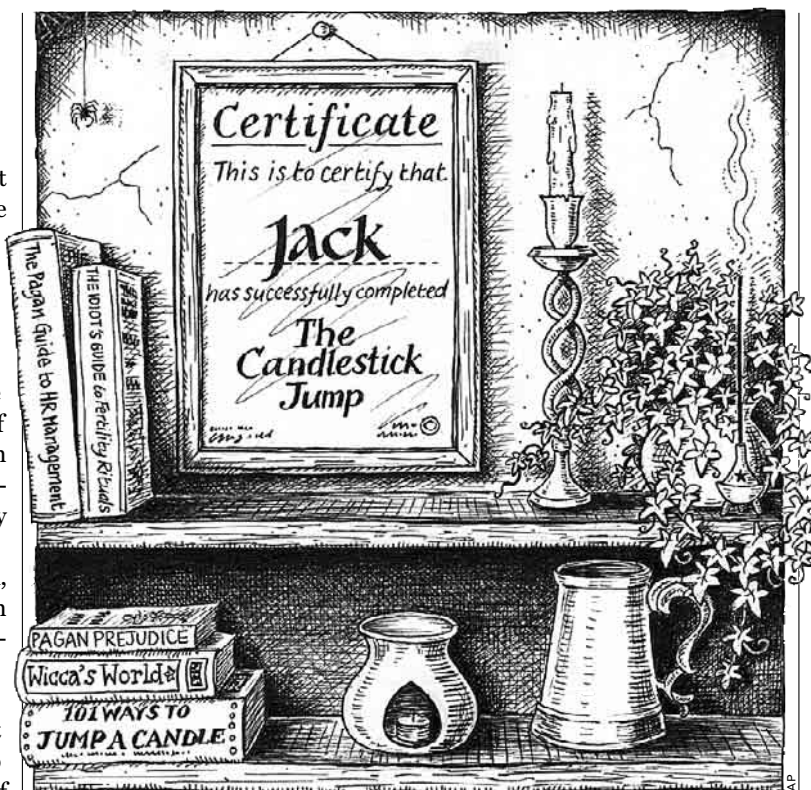
REVISIONS | They seem innocent enough, but Jack and Jill may have become amorous as they climbed their hill for a pail of water.

And instead of a water bird, "Goosey, goosey gander" may refer to a woman of ill repute, said Chris Roberts, social history graduate and librarian at the University of East London, who has looked again at the origins of 24 popular nursery rhymes for a new book, "Heavy Words Thrown Lightly."

Roberts said his 96-page book, published by Foot and Mouth Publications, is meant as "a light-hearted take on the nursery rhymes."

It has long been known that many nursery rhymes allude to contemporary events, some of them distressing, even bloody, but a study of published psychoanalytical texts has taken Roberts further than others in finding sexual meanings.

"Jack 'losing his crown' can be read to mean losing his virginity," said Roberts, who hit on his idea



NOT JUST A CANDLESTICK: "Heavy Words" unpacks old schoolyard rhymes.

while researching historic walks in east London.

Roberts believes that the rhyme "Goosey, goosey gander, where do you wander? Upstairs and downstairs and in my lady's chamber" is

an allusion to prostitutes — commonly known as geese in the 18th century — and the spread of venereal disease, which was known as "goose bumps" because of the swellings it caused.

Roberts said "Oranges and Lemons," widely seen as a light-hearted guide to the City of London, is also a vulgar wedding song in which the line "here comes a candle to light you to bed" refers to the bride tempting her bridegroom, and "here comes a chopper to chop off your head" alludes to the woman losing her virginity, or "maidenhead."

"Some nursery rhymes were clearly adult rhymes that were sung to children because they were the only rhymes an adult knew," said Roberts. "Others were deliberately created as a simple way to tell children a story or give them information. Religion, sex, money and social issues are all common themes."

Most experts believe the rhymes date from the early 17th century, reaching a peak of popularity in the period between the Tudor and the Stuart monarchs.

Increasing freedom of speech and communication later reduced the need for allegorical speech, but under the Victorians, who viewed children as innocents, many of the original rhymes were reworked into collections for the young, Roberts said. SUE LEEMAN (AP)

Today's Top Stops

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Playing of the Green: Teada at IMT

4 The Institute for Musical Traditions presents Teada, a young quintet playing traditional Irish music for the nostalgic, sentimental, Irish-curious or just plain Irish. Led by fiddler Oisín Mac Diamada, Teada features the yearning sounds of the Emerald Isle as played on accordion, guitar, flute, banjo, bouzouki and drums.

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Entertainment

Vandross, OutKast Win Image Awards

AWARDS | Soul crooner Luther Vandross won four NAACP Image Awards in a ceremony that blended politics with honors for works by and about people of color.

Vandross, recovering from a stroke, was not at Universal Amphitheatre in Los Angeles to pick up his prizes for best male artist and his music video, song and album titled "Dance With My Father."

The gospel music comedy "The Fighting Temptations" won for best movie. Cuba Gooding Jr. was honored as best actor for "Radio," and Queen Latifah was named best actress for "Bringing Down the House."

Hip-hop group OutKast won for outstanding duo or group, and rotund young R&B star Ruben Studdard won best new artist after

crooning from his seat.

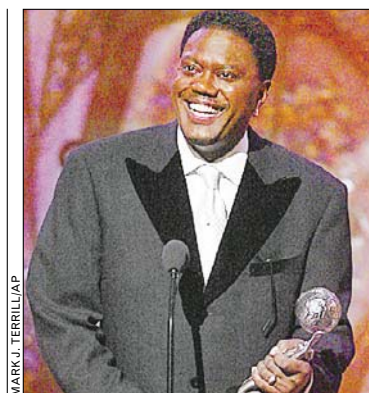
The awards by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People are determined by show business professionals and NAACP officials nationwide. The ceremony will be broadcast Thursday on Fox.

Toni Morrison won best fiction literary work for her novel "Love." Comedian Bernie Mac, who

won outstanding actor in a comedy series and outstanding comedy series for Fox's "The Bernie Mac Show," thanked those who supported him when he was making the rounds of comedy clubs.

"For 43 weeks a year, for 18 years, you came to see me. So when I came to television I was ready, and I thank you so much," he told the audience.

BRUCE HARING (AP)



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DANCE WITH THE DEVIL: “Today” hostess Katie Couric, left, with disgraced former journalist Jayson Blair. Couric, who conducted a “Dateline ABC” interview with Blair on Friday and hosts him on “Today” this morning, told Larry King, “I wasn’t all that involved in getting this interview. I wasn’t.”

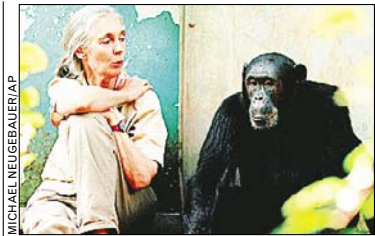
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THE OTHER GUY’S SIDE
JUDAS (9 p.m., ABC) While comparisons to “The Passion” are inevitable and unfair, tonight’s “Judas” is really a throwback to the “hippie Jesus” of the late ’60s and early ’70s — Jesus (Jonathan Scarfe) as longhaired pretty boy, a righteous dude with a knack for miracles. Given his contemporary language and California accent, no wonder Mel Gibson filmed his “Passion” in dead languages.

Judas (Johnathon Schaech), on the other hand, is a hotheaded rebel against Rome and the Jewish establishment that collaborates with the evil empire. Despite much cringe-inducing dialogue, fans of Bible movies should find “Judas” compelling from start to finish. It pays to base your film on the greatest story ever told.

BEHIND THE JIGGLE
THE UNAUTHORIZED STORY OF “CHARLIE’S ANGELS” (9 p.m., NBC) What can you say about a film that casts Homer Simpson (Dan Castellanata) as Aaron Spelling, prolific TV producer and inventor of “jiggle-vision”? “Unauthorized” is filled with campy scenes, canned disco music, Bicentennial fashion atrocities and knowing, anachronistic quips. (At one point, Spelling promises his baby daughter Tori that he’ll write a show just for her.) The story of the awesome threesome isn’t worth retelling, but Wallace Langham (“The Unauthorized Story of ‘Three’s Company’”) does get to play agent Jay Bernstein for a second time!

MORE DOOMED THAN ‘BASEKETBALL’?
SHOCKED (9 p.m., Trio) A 2004 documentary chronicles the doomed collaboration of “South Park” creators Trey Parker and Matt Stone and online entertainment company Shockwave.com.



“Aw, c’mon, Koko. I’m sorry about that ‘monkey’s uncle’ crack. Lighten up.”

MONKEYING AROUND
JANE GOODALL’S RETURN TO GOMBE (8 p.m., Animal Planet) The acclaimed scientist returns to Gombe National Park in Tanzania, where she began her pioneering study of chimpanzees more than 40 years ago.

CULT CHOICE
GOD SAID, HA! (9 p.m., Independent Film Channel) Comic Julia Sweeney recalls her bout with cancer and her brother’s terminal illness in this 1998 memoir. KEVIN MCDONOUGH (UNITED FEATURE SYNDICATE)

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	A&E	City Confidential [CC]	American Justice		Biography "Simon Cowell"		Who Killed Kathy Durst?		Airline (N)	Airline [CC]	House of Dreams (N) [CC]	
	Animal	The Crocodile Hunter [CC]	Animals	Animals	Jane Goodall-Return Gombe		Cell Dogs "Toledo" (N)		Miami Animal Police (N)		Jane Goodall-Return Gombe	
	BET	106 & Park: BET's Top 10 Live		BET com	★ ★ ½ "The Color of Courage" (1999) Linda Hamilton.				Comicview		Nightly News	Hey Monie
SPORTS	Bravo	(5:00) "The Big Kahuna" 'R'	The West Wing [CC]		Queer Eye for Straight Guy		Queer Eye for Straight Guy		Queer Eye for Straight Guy		The West Wing [CC]	
	Comedy	Late Night [CC]	Daily Show	★ "Joe Dirt" (2001) David Spade, Brittany Daniel. [CC]			South Park		Straight Plan for Gay Man		Daily Show	Tough Crowd
	Court	Evidence	Cops [CC]	Cops [CC]	Cops [CC]	The System	Forensic	Forensic	Adults Only: Secret History		NYPD Blue [CC]	
	Discovery	Prosecutors-Justice	MythBusters "Buried Alive"		Monster House (N)		Plastic Surgery		American Chopper [CC]		Monster House	
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	Disney	Even Stevens	Barbarian	Sister, Sister	Lizzie	★ ★ ½ "Lady and the Tramp II: Scamp's Adventure" [CC]			Sister, Sister	Boy World	Kim Possible	Proud Family
MOVIES	E!	101 Reasons the '90s Ruled	E! News (N)	Good to Be	Saved by the Bell		101 Reasons the '90s Ruled		101 Reasons the '90s Ruled		Howard Stern	Howard Stern
	FX	Cops [CC]	Cops [CC]	Cops [CC]	Cops [CC]	Cops [CC]	Cops [CC]	Cops [CC]	The Shield "Breakpoint"		The Shield [CC]	
	HGTV	Before Aft	Building	Curb Appeal	House	Smart Design	Decorating	Mission	Design-Dime	Design-Dime	House	Ground
	Family	Full House	Full House	7th Heaven [CC]		★ ★ "The Great Outdoors" (1988, Comedy) Dan Aykroyd.			Whose Line?	Whose Line?	The 700 Club [CC]	
	History	Clash of Warriors [CC]	Big Rigs of Combat: Jeeps		Punishment The evolution of criminal punishment. [CC]				We Can Make You Talk [CC]			
	Lifetime	The Nanny	Designing	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	The Nanny	The Nanny	"The Elian Gonzalez Story" (2000) Alec Roberts. [CC]			Golden Girls	Golden Girls
NEWS	MTV	Band II	Pimp Ride	Direct Effect [CC]		Warning	Music Videos	Real World	Real World	Newlywed	Newlywed	Room Rdr
	NICK	U-Pick [CC]	Hey Arnold!	Rugrats	SpongeBob	Oddparents	Nicktoons TV	Full House	Full House	Cosby Show	Cosby Show	Roseanne [CC]
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	SPIKE	Real TV [CC]	Real TV [CC]	Star Trek: Next Gener.		Star Trek: Next Gener.		WWE Raw (N) [CC]				Stripperella
	TBS	Home Imp.	Seinfeld [CC]	Seinfeld [CC]	Friends [CC]	★ ½ "Down to Earth" (2001, Comedy) Chris Rock. [CC]			(9:55) ★ ★ ★ "Back to the Future Part III" (1990) (PA) [CC]			
	TLC	Clean Sweep (N)		In a Fix "Nature Within"		Trauma "Night Calls" [CC]		The Residents		Now Who's Boss?		Trauma "Night Calls" [CC]
ENTERTAINMENT	TNT	Charmed [CC]		Law & Order "Hate" [CC]		Law & Order [CC] (DVS)		Law & Order "Couples" [CC]		Law & Order "Smoke" [CC]		Law & Order "Coma" [CC]
	USA	(5:30) Nashville Star [CC]		JAG "Critical Condition" [CC]		Law & Order		★ ★ ½ "Con Air" (1997, Suspense) Nicolas Cage, John Cusack. [CC]				Law & Order
	VHI	Best Week	Blubbering	More Celebrity Breakups [CC]		Driven "Jessica Simpson"		VH1 Special [CC]				
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	ESPN2	Wm. Basketball		Women's College Basketball: Big Ten Tournament Final				College Basketball: MAAC Final -- Teams TBA				Streetball
	CSN	NASCAR	SportsNite	ShipShape	Women's College Basketball: ACC Tournament Final -- Teams TBA				SportsNite	ACC Live (N)		Best Damn Sports Show
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	MSNBC	The Abrams Report (Live)		Hardball (Live) [CC]		Countdown-Olbermann		Deborah Norville Tonight		Scarborough Country (Live)		Hardball [CC]
MOVIES	AMC	(5:15) ★ ★ ★ "Bugsy" (1991) Warren Beatty. 'R' [CC]				★ ★ ★ ½ "Coal Miner's Daughter" (1980) Sissy Spacek. 'PG' [CC]				★ ★ ★ "Once Around" (1990) 'R' [CC]		
	TCM	★ ★ ★ "Two Weeks in Another Town" (1962) 'NR' [CC]				★ ★ ★ "The Hound of the Baskervilles"		"Murder-Baskrvl"		"Sherlock Holmes & the Secret Weapon"		
	HBO	★ ★ "The Beautician and the Beast" (1997) [CC] 'PG' [CC]				★ ★ "I Spy" (2002) Eddie Murphy. 'PG-13'		(:45) ★ "The Adventures of Pluto Nash" (2002) 'PG-13'				Antwone F
	MAX	(:15) ★ ★ ½ "Killing Emmett Young" (2002) Scott Wolf. 'R'				★ ★ "Cradle 2 the Grave" (2003) Jet Li. 'R'		Analyze That	★ ★ ★ ½ "Adaptation." (2002) Nicolas Cage. 'R' [CC]			
	SHO	(:05) ★ ★ ★ "Unhook the Stars" (1996) Gena Rowlands.				★ ★ "Double Whammy" (2001) 'R' [CC]		(:35) ★ "Serving Sara" (2002) Matthew Perry. 'PG-13'				China Moon
	TMC	(:05) "The Adventures of Priscilla, Queen of the Desert"				★ ★ ★ ½ "We Were Soldiers" (2002, Drama) Mel Gibson. [CC] 'R' [CC]				★ ★ ★ ½ "Donnie Brasco" (1997) Al Pacino.		
ENCORE	STARZ!	(5:00) ★ ★ ½ "Invincible"	(:15) ★ "Mortal Combat" (1982) Chan Kuan Tai. 'R' [CC]					★ ★ ★ ½ "The Lord of the Rings: The Two Towers" (2002) Elijah Wood. [CC] 'PG-13' [CC]				
	ENCORE	★ ★ ★ "Cocoon" (1985) Don Ameche. [CC] 'PG-13' [CC]				★ ★ "Snow Dogs" (2002) Cuba Gooding Jr. [CC] 'PG' [CC]				★ ★ ★ "Scream" (1996) Neve Campbell. [CC] 'R' [CC]		

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Careers

Cheap Background

Anyone (almost) can perform an employee background check

PRIVACY | Beyond the gallon jars of mayonnaise and the office furniture, shoppers browsing the aisles at some Sam's Club stores will find something that isn't usually sold at retail — an employee background check in a box.

With security-conscious employers stepping up scrutiny of job candidates, background checks have become standard procedure at many companies.

But Employee Background Check, which is marketed by ChoicePoint Inc. and began selling for \$39.77 late last year, points to new efforts by data vendors to market background screening as a consumer product.

ChoicePoint — with nearly \$800 million in annual revenues, one of the nation's largest vendors of personal, financial and legal data — also recently began selling background checks via Yahoo's HotJobs.com online employment board, offering jobseekers the chance to vet themselves. Entersect, owned by competing data provider LocatePlus Holdings Inc., says it plans to launch a self-check service later this year on CareerBuilder.com.

The companies say such checks give workers the chance to spot and correct problems in their personal records before an employer does, and to affix a seal of approval to their resumes.

Steal This Job

Peggy Dayhoff, 27

JOB: Assistant director of Dog Ears and Paws, Inc. in Sykesville, Md.
SALARY: \$15,000 to \$20,000.

WHAT DO YOU DO? Dayhoff trains assistance and therapy dogs, which act as companions and provide specific services for those in need, such as turning lights on and off, retrieving items, opening doors and cabinets and listening for alarms. Training



CHECKING IN: ChoicePoint's background-check-in-a-box, sold at Sam's Club, allows those with a business license to peer into someone's background.

ChoicePoint's box contains a CD-ROM that allows users to tap ChoicePoint's online databases, giving small business owners access to an essential tool previously available mostly to big companies, say ChoicePoint and Wal-Mart Stores Inc., which is selling the product in 41 of its Sam's Club membership warehouses in 26 cities.

In a survey of personnel executives released in January, about 80 percent said their firms now conduct criminal background checks on job candidates, up from 51 percent in 1996.

But smaller businesses are still somewhat behind the curve, with 69 percent saying they now do such checks, up from 43 percent in the previous survey. The surveys by the Society for Human Resource Management were similar, but not identical.

Privacy advocates object to the new products, cautioning that sell-

ing background checks over-the-counter could put personal information in the wrong hands.

Some private investigators are critical, too, saying the check could undermine their own businesses. They also complain that ChoicePoint's requirement that users have a business license is an inadequate control on information that should be parceled out much more carefully.

"There are tons of people who have a business license who don't have a business," said Chris Appleby, a Marietta, Ga., investigator who is president of the Georgia Association of Professional Private Investigators.

"If Joe's Bait Shop ... goes out and buys this thing with a business license and then he wants to find out information about a neighbor, then he would be able to essentially do that," Appleby said.

ADAM GELLER (AP)

BY THE NUMBERS: Half of job seekers are optimistic about their prospects, while only 17 percent called themselves as pessimistic, according to a recent query of clients by Lee Hecht Harrison, a staffing firm. (AP)

takes 18 to 36 months and the dogs are given to recipients for free. The cost — \$14,000 to \$18,000 per dog — is offset by money from classes offered to the public (Dayhoff teaches "puppy kindergarten" and basic obedience). "We use only positive, natural [training] methods" with food, not choke collars, for motivation.

HOW DID YOU GET YOUR JOB? She worked three years as a veterinary technician and, after a stint as a loan processor, applied to teach classes at Dog Ears and Paws. She joined

the nonprofit in 2002 and became assistant director in November.

HOW CAN I GET YOUR JOB? Gain experience at a local shelter or vet's office, or intern for a trainer (try the Association of Pet Dog Trainers, at www.apdt.com). Certification through APDT is also a plus. Love for animals must also include the not-so-niceties, like shedded hair, muddy paws and cleaning up the occasional accident. "It's not really a dirty job, but you're not going to go home every day being clean." DANNY FREEDMAN (EXPRESS)

People

DEBTORS
Banks Are So Demanding

A California bank has filed legal papers to force actor **DON JOHNSON** to put his Aspen, Colo.-area property up for sale at auction to pay a nearly \$1 million debt. City National Bank of Los Angeles said he has refused to make payments on a loan he took out in October 2002; he owes \$930,000, said the bank. Johnson's publicist said that the actor is in the process of refinancing the loan and the issue will become moot. (AP)

AGING MUSICIANS
Spirits Were Using Him, Larger Voices Callin', OK?

DAVID CROSBY was arrested early Saturday at the DoubleTree Suites Hotel in Times Square for possessing an ounce of marijuana and a .45-caliber handgun, police said. Crosby left a piece of luggage behind at the hotel on Friday. A hotel employee opened it looking for identification, saw the offending items and called authorities. Crosby called the hotel to say he would be returning to pick up the luggage. He was greeted by police, investigators said. (AP)



JOHN SOMMERS/REUTERS

CHEERLEADERS
'I'm Famous. Carry Me.'

Wildcat fan **ASHLEY JUDD** made a center-court appearance on the shoulder of a University of Kentucky cheerleader at Sunday's game in Lexington. Kentucky beat the University of Florida 82 to 62. Regarding her cast: Judd tore a ligament in February acting in the Broadway production of "Cat on a Hot Tin Roof." (EXPRESS)

TENORS
The Long Goodbye

Determined to end his great career with dignity, **LUCIANO PAVAROTTI** returned to New York's Metropolitan Opera one last time on Saturday. Few would have predicted two years ago that the beloved tenor, now 68, would be back on the Met stage Saturday night for the first of three farewell performances in Puccini's "Tosca." In May 2002, a disappointed audience was told that Pavarotti had canceled what was to be his farewell because of illness and had refused to come on stage to speak to his fans. (AP)



TINA FINEBERG/AP
Oh please, let there be ice cream backstage. Breyers Low-Carb ice cream.



MICHELLE EULER/AP

We see him starting with something in the "Scary Movie" franchise, perhaps.

CAREER GOALS
It's So Cliched, It Just Might Work!

TOM FORD, who designed both the Gucci and Yves Saint Laurent lines, showed his last collection in Paris on Sunday, but he's already making other plans. "I am very serious about wanting to make a movie. As a director. It's true that I've signed with Creative Artists Agency," he told Women's Wear Daily. (AP)

KINGS
It's Not Over Until We Threaten That It's Over A Lot

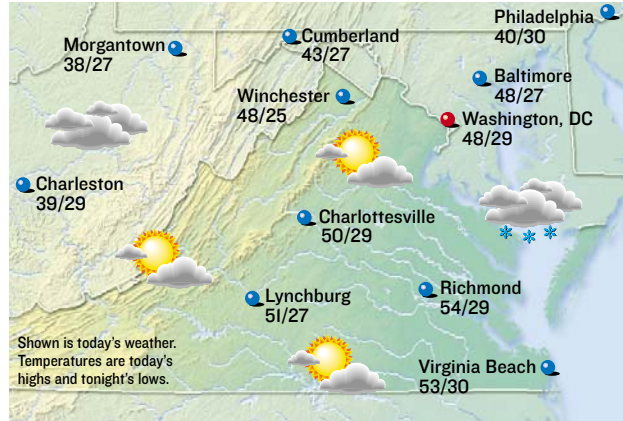
Shock jock and self-proclaimed "King of All Media" **HOWARD STERN** believes his reign on the radio is coming to an end. "The show is over,"

he announced Friday morning on his nationally syndicated radio program. "It's over." It's not — at least not yet. But Stern predicted that a FCC crackdown on indecency on the airwaves will force his salacious show off the dial. (AP)

5 Day Forecast for the Washington Area

Today	Tonight	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Mostly cloudy, breezy and cold	Partly cloudy and cold	Mostly cloudy, brisk and cold	Periods of clouds and sunshine	Breezy with clouds and sun	Partly sunny
48°	29°	43° / 33°	43° / 34°	51° / 34°	50° / 33°

Regional Weather



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Washington, D.C., through 4 p.m. Sun.
Temperature
High 59°
Low 43°
Normal high 53°
Normal low 35°
Average humidity 46%

Precipitation

24 hours ending 4 p.m. 0.00"
Month to date 1.10"
Normal month to date 0.80"
Year to date 4.73"
Last year to date 10.10"
Normal year to date 6.75"

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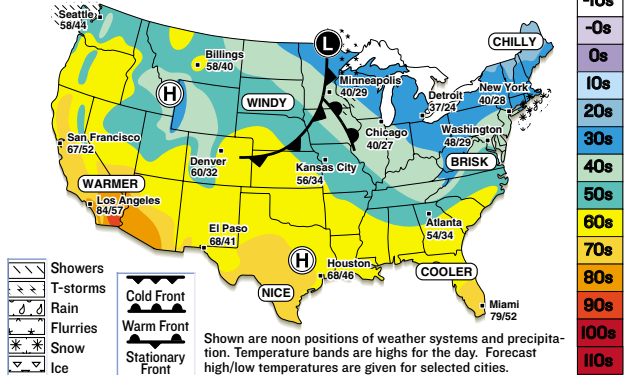
D.C. Metro: Today, mostly cloudy, brisk, chilly. High 48. Wind northwest 10-20 mph. Tonight, partly cloudy, cold. Low 29. Wind north 6-12 mph.

Sun and Moon

Sunrise today 6:30 a.m.
Sunset tonight 6:08 p.m.
Moonrise today 8:15 p.m.
Moonset today 7:34 a.m.



National Weather for Monday, March 8



National Cities

City	Today	Tues.
Atlanta	54/34/s	48/33/pc
Boston	34/21/sf	36/27/pc
Chicago	40/27/pc	41/29/pc
Dallas	67/48/s	66/39/s
Denver	60/32/s	61/32/s
Honolulu	81/66/pc	79/65/pc
Los Angeles	84/57/s	80/59/s
Miami	79/52/s	73/51/s
New York City	40/28/sn	40/32/c
Orlando	70/40/s	72/44/s
Seattle	58/44/pc	54/40/sh

World Cities

City	Today	Tues.
Amsterdam	39/27/pc	31/23/sf
Athens	52/41/r	54/40/c
Berlin	35/20/pc	29/18/sn
Buenos Aires	75/56/s	78/62/s
Calgary	59/40/pc	45/20/s
Dublin	48/37/s	48/30/s
Geneva	34/19/sn	34/22/c
Moscow	24/9/sn	24/13/sn
Rome	46/31/r	46/33/c
Sydney	90/71/s	93/68/s
Tokyo	43/34/s	49/43/pc

s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, i-ice.

Playback

Letters

TO THE EDITOR

I FIRST HEARD about the Martha Stewart verdict at about 4 p.m. Friday, and by 5 p.m. I thought the story had been done to death. I wish as much attention would be paid to people on trial for rape and murder and other crimes that pose a much greater risk to a much greater number of people.

Of course, it is the media's job to keep the public informed, but does the fact that Stewart will be hanging curtains in a cell for the next few years really matter?

—JESSICA L. LANGENHAN
Washington, D.C.

FAMILIES OF 9/11 VICTIMS upset by George Bush's arrogant and disrespectful ad campaign are justified ("Bush Ads Anger 9/11 Kin," March 5). What's worse, while Bush is playing politics with images of Ground Zero, he and his administration refuse to testify before the bipartisan-supported 9/11 Commission, which was created to find out what went wrong leading up to the attacks.

Bush's ads tout leadership skills, but a person truly concerned with guiding the country through these tough times would do his best to get real answers about 9/11.

—NATE CONROY
Wheaton, Md.

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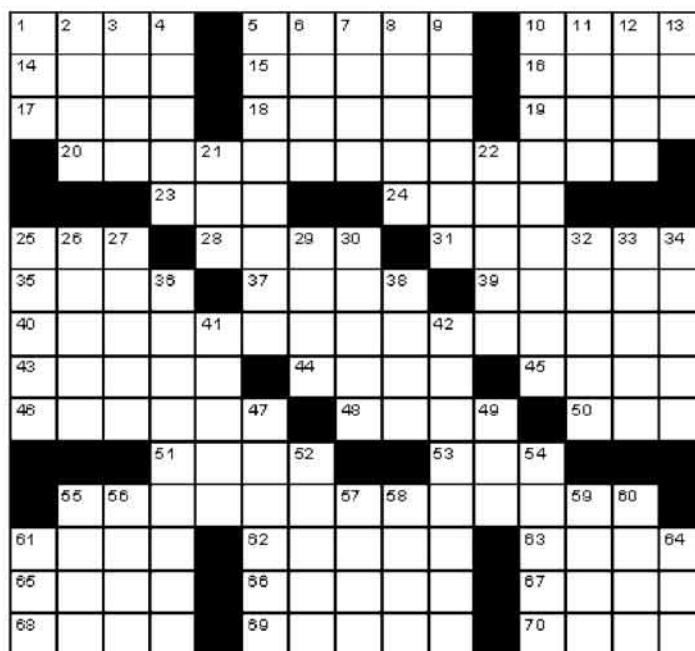
Friday's Solution



Crossword Puzzle: Theme Here | Edited by Timothy E. Parker

ACROSS

- 1 Trendy
- 5 Ahead of the pack
- 10 Ritual abstinence
- 14 "Egad!" or "Drat!"
- 15 Mountain ridge
- 16 Feed the kitty
- 17 Isinglass
- 18 Kind of duty
- 19 DOS alternative
- 20 Oxford honoree
- 23 It's altogether
- 24 Tartan garb
- 25 Symbol of easiness
- 28 Five, to ten
- 31 Oscar winner Heckart
- 35 Swag
- 37 Vertical granary
- 39 Home in Rome
- 40 Brilliant idea
- 43 Word with bike or boat
- 44 Den item
- 45 Scandinavian saga
- 46 Painting the town red
- 48 Common request
- 50 Slim swimmer
- 51 Lily family shrub
- 53 Head lines?
- 55 Tommy was one
- 61 Meal for the humble?
- 62 Get the idea



- 26 Subatomic particle
- 27 Terra (brown-red)
- 29 "No I never!"
- 30 Flabbergast
- 32 Slur over
- 33 Give the slip
- 34 Like a twangy voice
- 36 The ruination of Troy
- 38 Does in
- 41 Toothbrush choice
- 42 Succumbed
- 47 The puck stops here?
- 49 Dispenser candy
- 52 "Maria ____" (Jimmy Dorsey hit)
- 54 Gothic feature
- 55 Libertine's opposite
- 56 Minute amount
- 57 Foot-shaped form
- 58 Small songbird
- 59 All bets are off after this
- 60 Aerodynamic force
- 61 IRS employee
- 64 Palindromist's preposition

The Duplex | Glenn McCoy



Horoscope | Stella Wilder

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) — Your determination is admirable, but a willingness to meet someone halfway will win you more respect and admiration from others.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — It pays to explore all your options. It is all right to test the water before jumping in, but you must make a decision before nightfall.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Now is no time to insist that others join you in indulging some of your more unusual tastes; if you go overboard, you'll be doing it alone.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Don't pass judgment against someone who has simply crossed you one too many times. Try, instead, to understand his or her motives.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Though you won't be able to steer clear of gossip and rumors at all times, you can certainly control how fast it spreads. Be conscientious.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — You can make improvements in your personal sphere, and do much to reduce the chance for danger in any affairs of the heart.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Don't be so serious that you scare people off and are left standing alone. Trust your sense of humor to see you through.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) — You'll have a good reason to reflect on past decisions, past triumphs and past mistakes. In the end you'll decide to move on with confidence.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) — The risks you run may not be as serious as you think, given the immediate indications. Work with a partner to come up with solutions.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — You are closer to making a personal commitment than you have been in the recent past. It's time to take all offers seriously.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — You'll get a glimpse of something just over the horizon — and it may be something that inspires you to redouble your efforts.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — You're approaching an important landmark in your career or personal development. It's a good time for keeping eyes and ears open.

LIVE ONLINE

The Redskins

From washingtonpost.com/liveonline

Washington Post staff reporter **GENE WANG** was online Friday to field questions about the state of the Redskins following their recent player trades.

I think one of the biggest differences in this year's "shopping spree" is the Redskins are signing character guys. Would you agree that if Coach Joe Gibbs were not here, owner Dan Snyder would have gone after Jevon Kearse, Warren Sapp and Ted Washington?

You make a very valid point. Gibbs puts character first, and that's not something you find in many coaches these days in any sport. Having said that, don't forget Gibbs has dealt with his share of problem players. The bottom line is performance. Show up on Sundays and everything else will work itself out.

What is the difference between this off-season's acquisitions and those of the past two or three off-seasons? Why is this one considered the best one?

Every off-season the Redskins make moves, and every season they mostly seem to backfire (Laveranues Coles, Randy Thomas and John Hall not withstanding). You know what the difference is this time? Two words: Joe Gibbs.

Can this team get nine-plus wins this year?

Absolutely. Bill Parcells took the Cowboys — 5-11 for three seasons in a row — to the playoffs last season with Quincy Carter at quarterback. In fact, I expect Gibbs to have this team playing meaningful games in late December and maybe January instead of players calling ahead for tee times.

Can LaVar Arrington play middle linebacker and be like Ray Lewis?

That's been the question since the first day he arrived. Physically, Arrington is a monster. There aren't many players in the league who have Arrington's combination of size, speed and strength. He's barely scratched the surface of his potential, I think. Put him on the weak side, away from double-teams, and watch him go.

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